Clearance of Brahmaputra Power Station

3311. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Brahmapura Power Station has since been cleared by the Central Government; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) and (b) A feasibility report in regard to setting up a 90 MW combined cycle power plant, based on LSHS|fuel oil|natural gas, at Brahmapuram, Cochin has been received from the Kerala authorities in April, 1988. The proposal could be techno-economically appraised by the Central Electricity Authority after the fuel availability is confirmed and the requisite inputs have been tied up by the State Electricity Board.

Steps to check subsidence by ECL

3312. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY:
SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of places so far identified by E.C.L. which are critical localities for enormous damage to surface properties and even loss of human lives due to subsidence;

(b) what are the details thereof; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to check subsidence as well as to save the properties and human lives in those localities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI C. K. JAFFAR SHARIEF): (a) and (b) 45 locations in West Bengal have been identified as unsafe areas based on the declaration of West Bengal Govt., DGMS and areas listed by CMPDIL in the Master Plan of Raniganj Coalfield.

Details of the areas are given in the enclosed statement. (*See* below)

(c) Steps taken to check subsidence include:

(i) Mining operations are carried out in conformity with the rules and regulations and strictly as per conditions imposed by the DGMS;

(ii) Extraction below built-in areas is done only in conjunction with stowing;

(iii) Restricted working|extraction in case of workings under shallow cover;

(iv) Prohibition of construction activities over areas declared unsafe for habitation.

A Pilot project has been conducted at Ramjibanpur for stabilisation of water filled voids. The project involved application of innovative methods like stowing of sand and water slurry through boreholes and testing the efficacy of these measures by geo-physical methods. This technology is being evaluated and may find application at other places in the Raniganj Coalfields.

Statement

Sl. No.	Area	Location
1	Barkar Town, Palasdanga village Bengunia town	Chunch Victoria Area, BCCL.
2	Mahabir Colliery, excluding Gowal Basttee	Kunustoria Area, ECL (Mahabir Colliery).
3	Fathepur Village and part C.I. Road	Sitarampur Area, ECL (Dhemomain Colliery)

Sl. No.	Area	Location
4	Janakpur village Konda Bazar Kulti Foundry, Kulti Workshop.	Ramnagar Colliery (IISCO.)
5	Kenda village.	Kenda Area, ECL (New Kenda Colliery)
6	Soabpur village.	Sripur Area.
7	Chotdhama & Pankiary village.	Seetalpur Colliery, Sodepur Area.
8	Aluthia & other villages.	Patmahana Colliery, Sitampur.
9	Private Houses near Hiindustan Aikington Glass Factory.	Ushagram, Asansol.
10	Bhutdoba/Kalipahari under Ro d.	Kalipahari Colliery, Siripur Area.
11	Borackhak, Raghunathbati, E. Rly East Baraboni Leoop two Sental Bastees.	Ramjibanpur Colliery, Sitarampur Area.
12	Mahabir Colliery Excluding Gowala Bastee.	Mahabir Colliery, KNT Area.
13	Raniganj Town.	Raniganj Town, KMT Area.
14	Gorpari & Rackitt & Colmen Blue Factory	Dhappra West Block, Sripur Area.
15	Janakpur Village, Kendua Bazar Kutti Foundary, Kulti town.	Ramnagar Colliery (IISCO).
16	Kenda village.	New Kenda Colliery, Kenda Area.
17	Kuldange village.	Parasea Colliery, KNT Area.
18	Sanctoria village.	Seetalpur Colliery, Sodepur Area.
19	Santhal Bastee.	Balbaid Colliery, KTNT Area.
20	Sodepur village.	Poidih Colliery, Sodepur Area.
21	Monoharbahal	Monoharbahal Colliery, Sitarampur Area.
22	Aluthia & other village	Patmchana Colliery, Sitarmpur Area.
23	Bahula (Motibazar)/including Kahora-Haripur D.B. Road & Bastee.	Bahula Colliery, Kunda Area.
24	Balsukh ceramics.	Salanpur Area.
25	Barakar town, Palasdanga village, Beguina town.	Chanch Victoria Area (BCCL).
26	Borachak, Ragunathn Bastee, E. Rly. East Bar-Barononi loop, two Santhal Bastee.	Ramjibanpur Colliery, Sitarampur Area.
27	Mahabir Colliery excluding Gowala Bastee.	Mahabir Colliery, KNT Area.
28	Raniganj Town.	Kunustoria.
29	Chatrisdanga village.	Sripur Colliery, Sripur Area.
30	Dangarpatti.	Khas Kajora Colliery, Kajora.
31	Sitarpukur village.	Do.

S.No.	Area	Location
32	Dhasal village.	Krishanangar Colliery, Kenda.
33	Fathepur village & part of .G.T. Road.	Dhemomain Colliery, Sitarampur Area.
34	Haripur village, Raniganj Suri Road.	Haripur Colliery, Kenda Area.
35	Huramdanga village	Jamuria Colliery, Sripur Area.
36	Jamuria Bazar.	Jamuria Colliery, Sripur Area.
37	Janakpur village, Kendua Bazar, Kulti Foundary, Kulti Town.	Ramnagar Colliery (IISCO).
38	Kenda village.	Newkenda Colliery, Kenda Area.
39	Kuradih village.	Kuradih Colliery, Satgram Area.
40	Palsbon village.	Ghanashyam Colliery, Kajora Area.
41	Sanctoria village.	Seetalpur Colliery, Sodepur Area.
42	Santhal Bastee.	Balbaid Colliery, KNT area.
43	Seebpur village.	Sripur Area.
44	Sodepur village.	Poidih Colliery, Sodepur Area.
45	Bastee and part of Village, Ushagram North of G.T. Road, Asansol.	New Ghusick Colliery, Sripur Area.

Proposals for setting up of thermal and gas-based power plants in Gujarat

3313. SHRI VITHALBHAI M. PATEL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Gujarat Government has submitted a number of proposals for the setting up of thermal and gas-based power plants in the State;

(b) if so, how many proposals are pending at present with the Central Government;

(c) how many proposals have been cleared and what are the details thereof; and

(d) by when the remaining proposals will be cleared by the Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) to (c) Information in respect of the proposals received in the Central Electricity Authority from the Government of Gujarat regarding thermal and gas-based power projects in the State and the present status thereof, is contained in the Statement enclosed. (*See* below.)

(d) The clearance of power projects depends on factors such as the tying up of fuel and other inputs, the availability of various clearances and of adequate resources and the *inter se* priority of the projects. The proposed schemes could be considered for clearance after all inputs have been tied up and requisite clearance have been obtained.